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Office of Pollution Prevention

What is OPP?

- Program office established in 1989
- Focuses on reducing or eliminating pollution before it is generated
- Addresses all types of waste and environmental releases to the air, water and land
- Serves manufacturing facilities as well as the general public, other state agencies, and various local governments
- Works with Agency bureaus and regional offices on voluntary initiatives

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What Are Our Programs?

Technical Assistance

- Employs a staff of field engineers and technical specialists that conduct P2 site visits at industrial facilities
- Helps identify ways to conserve resources, take advantage of less polluting raw materials, improve housekeeping practices, and increase process efficiency
- Places college level student interns at industrial facilities, economic development groups, and other institutions to work on P2 projects during the summer
- Has realized millions of dollars in cost savings and reduced more than 100,000 pounds in releases to the environment

Regulatory Integration

- Works with regulatory programs to integrate P2 into their mainstream functions
- Provides training for agency staff to increase P2 awareness
- Collaborates on special projects to promote P2 during field inspections and other activities

Voluntary Initiatives

- Develops programs that recognize and support comprehensive P2 efforts
- Encourages facilities to incorporate P2 into day-to-day business functions
- Partners with business groups, environmental organizations and technical assistance providers on special initiatives for small business sectors

Educational Outreach

- Sponsors workshops and seminars that inform businesses and others about the latest P2 approaches and management tools

- Publishes brochures, reports, and fact sheets on P2 techniques and resources

- Provides speakers at organizational meetings, company functions and conferences

- Hosts an internet site at:

  www.epa.state.il.us/p2

Where To Get More P2 Information

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